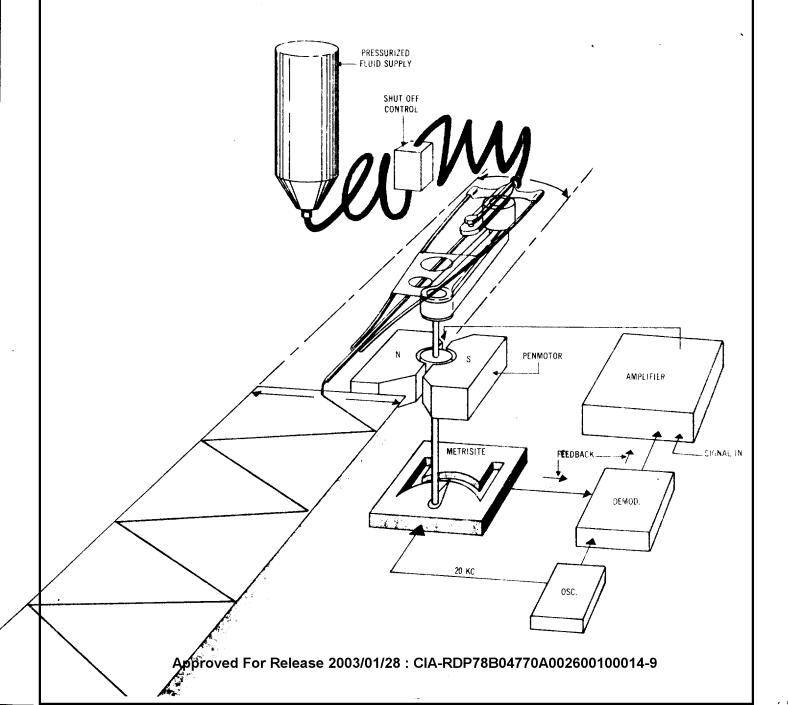
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This article details how these innovations contribute to the direct writing medium.





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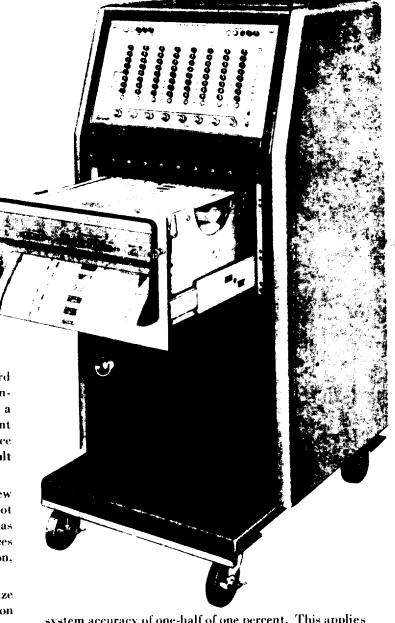
A Totally NEW Recorder

In the fast-growing electronics industry, the word "breakthrough" is widely used and abused. The conscientious reporter hesitates to use it. Yet, when a new product incorporates not one, but four significant technical advances and exhibits a level of performance never before achieved, the hackneyed word is difficult to avoid.

The Brush Recorder Mark 200, a revolutionary new direct writing system, is a true breakthrough. Not since the introduction of the d'Arsonval penmotor has the direct writing recorder seen comparable advances in all five major parameters—accuracy, resolution, clarity of records, operating economy and efficiency.

First. accuracy. Newly conceived penmotors utilize the proprietary Brush Metrisite transducer for position feedback control and eliminate the mechanical restraint of the conventional torsion rod for zero return. The penmotor coil, supported only by precision ball bearings, rotates freely in a constant magnetic field. The pen position is continuously sensed by the Metrisite and compared against the input signal command. If the pen position is incorrect, the difference between the Metrisite output and the input command produces an "error" signal which is amplified and applied to the penmotor until the correct position is reached. Accuracy of the pendrive system approaches ½ percent.

Taking all other error-factors into account --amplifiers, pen linkage, chart drive and residual system errors—the Mark 200 exhibits a remarkable over-all



system accuracy of one-half of one percent. This applies to high-speed pen motion as well as to low-frequency or static recording.

Second, resolution. Traces produced by the Mark 200 have a fixed, uninterrupted width of approximately .010"—about ½ chart division—up to highest writing speeds. These thin, sharp traces enable the engineer to read and interpret high speed transients or very slight pen movements with great exactitude. A fully closed, pressurized ink delivery system writing on a high-gloss paper makes possible an exceptionally fine trace which cannot be smeared, is proof against clogging or spattering.

Record Clarity depends on cleanness and contrast of

the written record. Many engineers find it easier to coordinate multi-channel rectilinear, rather than curvilinear, traces with the graphs and charts with which they normally work. In most oscillographic recorders this is achieved by means of a heated stylus writing on heat sensitive paper pulled over a knife-edge, with some loss in linearity. A unique pen-linkage in the Mark 200 system completely cancels such errors, and produces true rectilinear motion at the pen tip. Records appear in solid blue on pure white paper, for utmost visibility and contrast. Reproducibility by common methods is good.

Operating economy and efficiency. The Recorder Mark 200 uses ink-writing paper costing less than one-third that of comparable heat writing or electric writing

paper. Thus the economy of ink-type papers is combined with two important advantages—rectilinear presentation and long term unattended operation. Operation versus downtime ratio is extremely high: chart paper is used in 500-foot rolls and a single ink cartridge provides for an average six months of daily use. The inking system will not clog, is always ready for operation even after several months' shutdown. Pushbutton controls for all recorder functions including calibration further simplify operating and recording procedures.

The Mark 200 is an integrated system, including amplifiers, signal conditioning equipment and recorder in a mobile console configuration, ideal for analog computer readout, telemetry, test-stand or laboratory applications.

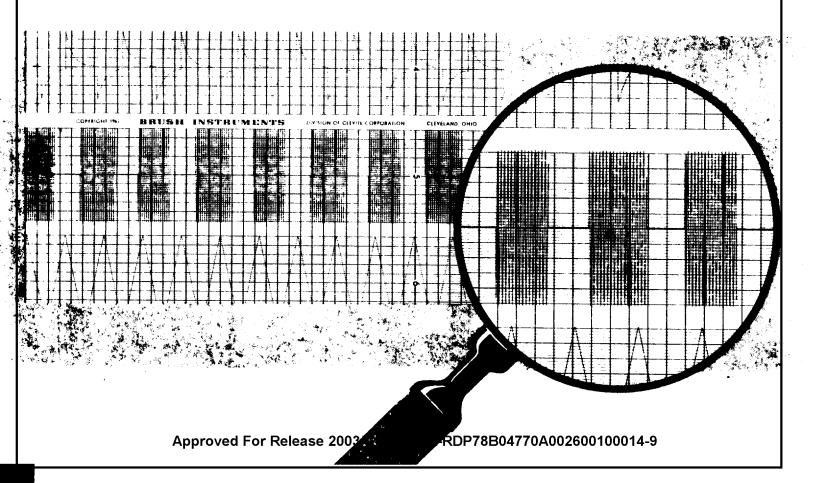
.. A Totally NEW Penmanship

The section of recorder chart below is reproduced as faithfully as possible from an actual chart made to tax the Mark 200 writing capacity to the utmost. Noteworthy are the uniformity of the trace, especially at wide pen excursion; the rule-straight error-free traverse; the absence of "slowdown" or "overshoot" as the pens suddenly change direction.

Primarily responsible for these near-perfect traces is a writing system as simple in concept as it is unique. For the first time a practical pressurized fluid inking system has been achieved in a direct writing recorder.

To evaluate the achievement, imagine what happens when fluid under significant positive pressure is forced through a pen aperture measuring .010" in diameter. In effect, the answer was a miniature closed hydraulic system with external delivery controlled by pen movement.

Figure 1 shows the fluid source, an aerosol cartridge



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Fig. 1: Pressurized cartridge containing writing fluid mounts in rear of oscillograph. Single supply feeds all pens.

holding a supply of viscous writing fluid under pressure, mounted in the oscillograph chassis.

From here the fluid passes forward to a manifold, thence to the recorder's eight analog pens and two event-marker pens which deposit the fluid directly on the chart paper, as shown in Figure 2.

To assure controlled delivery and to prevent spurting at the writing point, a balance of forces is at work. Pen pressures many times higher than normal for conventional systems are required to contain the fluid laid down on the chart.

The higher pen pressures impose three further considerations. One is design of the pen itself. Structure is extremely rigid and reinforced against possible twisting at rapid traverse. The second is the requirement

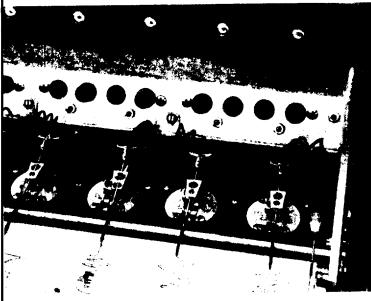


Fig. 2—Four of the Mark 200's eight analog pens. Event-marker pen at right.

All draw fluid from single manifold.



for more powerful penmotors and amplifiers to overcome increased inertia. A third is greatly increased penmotor stiffness, to offset frictional factors, obtainable only through a position feedback system.

Thus, the writing system is inseparable from the electro-mechanical pendrive mechanism. The entire recording system is in fact an integrated electro-mechanical-hydraulic system which is inherently simple and rugged. Advantages, aside from visual clarity and high resolution, include exceptional accuracy in both static and dynamic recording; long-term unattended operation; low-cost chart paper; minimum downtime for ink replenishment; greater chart capacity. Added to this is the most important of all recording system requirements, reliability.



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